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In re Application of: BARBUT et al.)
Application No. 10/792,365)
Filed: March 2, 2004) DECISION ON PROTEST UNDER
For: TRANSPULMONARY SYSTEMIC) 37 CFR §1.291
COOLING USING LIQUID MISTS)

This is in response to a protest in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.291 received April 5, 2010.

37 CFR § 1.291 states, in pertinent part:

(a) A protest may be filed by a member of the public against a pending application...

- (b) The protest will be entered into the record of the application if, in addition to complying with paragraph (c) of this section, the protest has been served upon the applicant in accordance with §1.248, or filed with the Office in duplicate in the event service is not possible; and, except for paragraph (b)(1) of this section, the protest was filed prior to the date the application was published under § 1.211, or a notice of allowance under § 1.311 was mailed, whichever occurs first:
- (1) If a protest is accompanied by the written consent of the applicant, the protest will be considered if the protest is matched with the application in time to permit review during prosecution.
- (g) Protests that fail to comply with paragraphs (b) or (c) of this section may not be entered, and if not entered, will be returned to the protestor, or discarded, at the option of the Office.

The application was published on July 14, 2005 and is abandoned. The protest was received on April 5, 2010. Therefore, the protest was not filed during the pendency of the application, and it was filed after the date the application was published under 37 CFR §1.211. The protest has not been accompanied by the written consent of the applicants so as to overcome the delay in filing.

Because of the defects noted, the protest papers will <u>not</u> be entered into the application file, and the Office will discard them, as permitted by 37 CFR § 1.291(g).

Any inquiry by the applicant regarding this decision should be directed to Josie A. Ballato, Quality Specialist at 571-272-3567.

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